



# UTILITY APPLICATION

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

(X) Specification in 26 pages.

(X) Drawings in 12 sheets.

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## CONTINUITY INFORMATION:

Application	Relationship	Parent App. No.	Filing Date	Status
This Application	Continuation-in-part of	10/270,883	10/11/02	Pending
10/270,883	Non-provisional of	60/328,727	10/11/01	Abandoned

(X) Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior applications is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

## OTHER APPLICATION PARTS:

(X) Return prepaid postcard.



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FEE TYPE		FEE CODE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
Basic Utility		2001 (\$385)		\$385
Non-English Spec.		1053 (\$130)		\$0
Recordation Fee		8021 (\$40)	0 x 40 =	\$0
Excess Claims > 20	16 - 20 = 0	2202 (\$9)	0 x 9 =	\$0
Independent > 3	3 - 3 = 0	2201 (\$43)	0 x 43 =	\$0
Multiple Claim		2203 (\$145)		\$0
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